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FPPC Enforcement Decisions: June 8, 2006

The following are enforcement decisions approved by the Fair Political Practices Commission at its regular monthly meeting held in Sacramento on Thursday, June 8, 2006. Decisions are divided by category and include a brief summary of each case and the total amount of the fine or fines in each case.

Additional information on each of the enforcement cases below can be found in the June agenda on the FPPC website at <http://www.fppc.ca.gov>. FPPC agendas are distributed and posted on the agency website 10 days prior to each monthly meeting.

The web version of the agenda includes links to the stipulations agreed to by the commission and by the individuals and organizations subject to the fines, or the default decisions ordered by the commission. Exhibits in support of the stipulations and default decisions are also available on the website. If you are unable to access the FPPC website, or need further assistance, please call the FPPC communications office at (916) 322-7761.

Campaign Reporting Violations

In the Matter of Richard Griffin, Committee to Re-elect Richard Griffin, and Bettye C. Griffin, FPPC No. 03-524. Staff: Commission Counsel Margaret Figeroid and Investigator III Sandra Buckner. Respondent Richard Griffin was a successful candidate for Richmond City Council in a local election held on November 6, 2001, having previously served on the Richmond City Council since 1985. Respondent Committee to Re-Elect Richard Griffin was Respondent Richard Griffin's controlled committee and Respondent Bettye C. Griffin served as its treasurer. In this matter, Respondents failed to maintain required campaign records, in violation of section 84104 of the Government Code (3 counts); failed to disclose required contributor information for 41 contributions

of \$100 or more, in violation of section 84211, subdivision (f) of the Government Code (3 counts); failed to disclose required information for 60 expenditures of \$100 or more, in violation of section 84211, subdivision (k) of the Government Code (5 counts); failed to disclose 2 late contributions in properly filed late contribution reports, in violation of section 84203, subdivision (a) of the Government Code (1 count); improperly reimbursed Respondent Richard Griffin \$3,000 for personal funds he used to pay a law firm more than 90 days after the expenditure was made, and failed to report the expenditure as a non-monetary contribution from Respondent Richard Griffin, in violation of section 89511.5, subdivisions (b) and (d) of the Government Code (1 count); and made twelve cash expenditures of \$100 or more, in violation of section 84300, subdivision (b) of the Government Code (1 count). \$24,000 fine.

In the Matter of Service Employees International Union Political Education and Action Fund (SEIU PEA) and Anna Burger, FPPC No. 05-886. Staff: Commission Counsel Amanda Saxton and Investigator Elaine Olmos-Flores. Respondent SEIU PEA is a state general purpose committee sponsored by the Service Employees International Union and Respondent Anna Burger serves as its treasurer. Respondents failed to file a late contribution report, in violation of section 84203 of the Government Code (3 counts); failed to file an odd-year campaign statement, in violation of sections 84200.3, subdivision (a)(3) and 84200.4, subdivision (a) of the Government Code (1 count); and failed to file a pre-election campaign statement, in violation of sections 84200.5, subdivision (e) and 84200.8 of the Government Code (3 counts). \$21,800 fine.

Statements of Economic Interests Violations - SEI Fast Track Program

In the Matter of Vinnie Lopes, FPPC No. 06-150. Staff: Enforcement Political Reform Consultant Wayne Imberi. Vinnie Lopes, a member of the Strawberry Commission, failed to timely file an assuming office statement of economic interests in violation of Government Code section 87300 (1 count). \$100 fine.

Major Donor – Streamlined Program

Failure to Timely File Major Donor Campaign Statements. Chief Investigator Sue Straine and Political Reform Consultant Mary Ann Kvasager. The following entities have entered into stipulations for failing to file major donor campaign statements that were due during calendar years 2004 and 2005, in violation of Government Code Section 84200:

- **In the Matter of Linda Dealy, FPPC No. 06-169.** Linda Dealy of Del Mar failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement disclosing contributions totaling \$18,550.00 in 2004 (1 count). \$400 fine.
- **In the Matter of Kimberly Janovitch, PhD, FPPC No. 06-173.** Kimberly Janovitch, PhD of Van Nuys failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement disclosing contributions totaling \$10,000.00 in 2004 (1 count). \$400 fine.

- **In the Matter of Claude S. Munday, FPPC No. 06-176.** Claude S. Munday of Fremont failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement disclosing contributions totaling \$10,000.00 in 2004 (1 count). \$400 fine.
- **In the Matter of Christopher Stevens, Cambridge Communities, LLC & Affiliated Entities, FPPC No. 06-261.** Christopher Stevens, Cambridge Communities, LLC & Affiliated Entities of Sacramento failed to timely file semi-annual campaign statements disclosing contributions totaling \$10,750.00 in 2004 and \$11,300.00 in 2005 (2 counts). \$800 fine.
- **In the Matter of Dublin Insurance, FPPC No. 06-288.** Dublin Insurance of Dublin failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement disclosing contributions totaling \$10,000.00 in 2004 (1 count). \$400 fine.
- **In the Matter of Scott Goldman, FPPC No. 06-290.** Scott Goldman of Glendora failed to timely file semi-annual campaign statements disclosing contributions totaling \$13,750.00 in 2004 (2 counts). \$800 fine.
- **In the Matter of Goldstein, Gurvitz, Marlowe & Miller, LLP, FPPC No. 06-291.** Goldstein, Gurvitz, Marlowe & Miller, LLP of Encino failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement disclosing contributions totaling \$10,000.00 in 2004 (1 count). \$400 fine.
- **In the Matter of William Josephs, PhD, LLP, FPPC No. 06-299.** William Josephs, PhD of Sherman Oaks failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement disclosing contributions totaling \$10,000.00 in 2004 (1 count). \$400 fine.
- **In the Matter of Annette V. Murdaca, FPPC No. 06-303.** Annette V. Murdaca of Lodi failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement disclosing contributions totaling \$10,000.00 in 2004 (1 count). \$400 fine.
- **In the Matter of Thousand Oaks Toyota, FPPC No. 06-312.** Thousand Oaks Toyota of Thousand Oaks failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement disclosing contributions totaling \$10,200.00 in 2004 (1 count). \$400 fine.
- **In the Matter of University of California, Berkeley Foundation, FPPC No. 06-313.** University of California, Berkeley Foundation of Berkeley failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement disclosing contributions totaling \$16,268 in 2004 (1 count). \$400 fine.

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